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report
on activity and installations in the Eggesin-Torgelow area, which is
in reality the legend to the sketch attached to the report. The
sketch is an overlay showing the location
of barracks and installations in the area bounded by Eggesin, Torgelow,
Karpin, and Viereck.

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EAST GERMANYMILITARYActivity and Installations in EGGESIN -
TORGELOW area.

(15 - 29 August 1959.)

1. Attached at Appendix "A" is a sketch  Germany 1:25000) showing the position of barracks and installations in the area bounded by EGGESIN, TORGELOW, KARPIN and VIERECK.
2. Marked as No. 1 on the sketch is a barracks located ca. 2.5 Km. N. of VIERECK. The buildings marked as nos. 2 and 3 on the sketch belong to the same complex. .
3. Barracks No. 1 begins about 200 metres N.E. of the point where the road to JÄGERBRÜCK takes a half-bend in a more northerly direction. It then runs directly along the N.W. side of the road for about 1.5 Km. The main entrance from the road is marked "a" on the sketch. Breadth of the barracks area, which is surrounded by a fence, is some 600 metres.
4. Sometime during 1959 the S.W. corner of the barracks has been extended. In 1958 the W. side of the barracks area lay some 100 metres E. of the high tension power supply lines (marked as No. 13 on the sketch) and parallel with them for the distance between pylons nos. 33 and 35. Now pylons nos. 33 and 34 lie inside the barracks area and the fence extends W. of them. In the most W. corner of the barracks area a watch tower has been erected (marked "b" on the sketch). It is occupied by E.G.A. sentries.
5. Inside the barracks there are at least 10 large, two-storied barracks buildings built of stone.
6. The barracks is occupied by E.G.A. artillery and tank units.
7. The street running alongside the barracks is in such poor repair that vehicles using it can only move at walking pace. There is no indication that it is to be repaired. It is open to civilian traffic but closed to foreign military missions.
8. On 26 August at least 14 - 16 x T 34 tanks were parked inside the barracks.
9. At 1100 hours on 26 August a motorised E.G.A. column came from the VIERECK direction and entered the barracks. The column consisted of 12 x 2-axled and 3-axled trucks, each truck towing a gun. The guns had barrels some 1.2 metres long with a muzzle diameter of some 15 cm : no muzzle thickening rings (Mündungsverdickung); gun-shields sloping sharply back and bent in at each side; recoil mechanisms immediately in front of the gun-shields, above and below the barrel; the tubular section, split trails, gun carriage was about 3 - 4 metres long; below the gun-shield on the left side was a vertically mounted hand-wheel and on the right side was a horizontally mounted hand-wheel; the chassis was single-axled and single-tyred.

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10. Marked 2 on the sketch, and across the road from the barracks No. 1 is a colony of some 50 family houses for E.G.A. officers. It is not fenced-in. The colony has a frontage on the road of some 600 - 700 metres. The continuation of the road in the JÄGERBRÜCK direction is closed immediately beyond the junction with the road to TORGELOW (see No. 12 on the sketch). The road to TORGELOW is open.

11. Marked No. 3 on the sketch is an ammunition dump. It is not fenced-in. Several paths which enter the area from the road to TORGELOW are not equipped with stop signs but it is generally considered by local inhabitants that entrance is forbidden.

12. From the TORGELOW road a number of earthworks can be seen inside the dump, equipped with ventilation pipes. It is a very wooded area and heavily overgrown with shrubs and bushes.

13. The railway line, which joins the main PASEWALK - PRENZLAU line, runs about 40 metres from and parallel with the TORGELOW road, between it and the ammunition dump.

14. No. 4 on the sketch represents barracks at DRÜGERHEIDE (BS 4813). Barracks no. 4 begins some 2 Km. S.E. of TORGELOW, and has a frontage on the N.E. side of the road of some 1.4 Km. It contains at least 6 2-storied, stone barrack buildings. It is difficult to see inside the barracks as it is lined with trees and has a solid, concrete wall around it. It is not known which E.G.A. units occupy this barracks.

15. The railway loading ramp (marked No. 11 on the sketch), which runs in a N.W. direction parallel with the railway line for about 1 Km., goes through a wooden entrance and finishes up inside barracks No. 4. The wooden entrance is guarded by E.G.A. sentries.

16. No. 5 on the sketch represents a colony of E.G.A. officers' houses similar to that described in para 10 above, including co-operative store and HO-shops. The colony runs alongside the road on the other side from barracks No. 4 and for the same distance.

17. No. 6 on the sketch represents OBJECT SPECHTBERG [redacted] From the TORGELOW - EGGESIN road it is difficult to see inside the barracks and all roads and paths leading to the barracks area from the main road are barred to civilians. According to local gossip E.G.A. tank, artillery and A/A units are stationed in the barracks.

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18. No. 7 on the sketch represents a colony of E.G.A. officers' houses [redacted] The centre of the colony is roughly SPECHTBERG forest house. The road leading from the main road to the colony is not barred and the colony is not fenced-in.

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19. No. 8 on the sketch represents OBJECT KARPIN [redacted] which is located some 200 metres S.E. of KARPIN forest house. From the road it is not possible to see details of the barracks and the limits shown on the sketch are only an estimate. The barracks contains at least 5 - 6 2-storied, stone barrack buildings. On 26 August fresh tank tracks ran from the main road along the path into the barracks.

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20. No. 9 on the sketch represents the single-tracked rail spur from the main PASEWALK - PRENZLAU line to E.G.A. installations in the EGGESIN area.

21. No 10. on the sketch represents the presumed course taken by this stretch of the rail spur, but which has not been determined precisely.

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22. No. 11 on the sketch represents the loading ramp E. []
It is 1 Km. long and 8 metres broad and is built of concrete. Along
the N.E. side of it are high wooden poles on which lamps are mounted.

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23. Another loading ramp is located E. [] but details of its
construction are not known. From it a rail spur leads to the EGGESIN -
TORGELOW railway line, joining the latter close to the point where road
and rail cross.

24. Nos. 12 on the sketch mark points where roads or approaches
are closed to civilian traffic either by means of wooden barricades or
stop signs.

25. No. 13 on the sketch marks the line taken by the 110 KV high
tension power supply cable, which was built from 1957 - 1959. It ends
in the recently built transformer station at EGGESIN (No. 14 on the
sketch).

26. The steel pylons, which are from 280 to 300 metres apart, are
numbered and some of the numbers are shown on the sketch. Pylon No. 1
is at PASEWALK transformer station while pylon No. 84 is at EGGESIN
transformer station.

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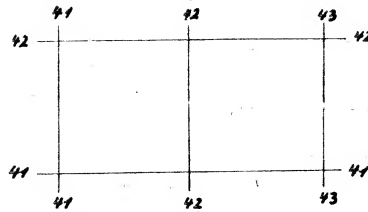
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Appendix "A"

TORGELOW

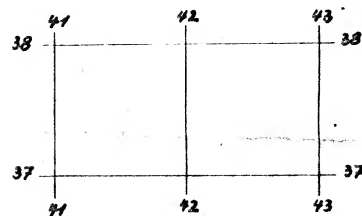
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